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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Brown, IAN L., et al.

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Application No.: 10/072,942

Group Art Unit: 1614

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For: ALTERATION OF MICROBIAL POPULATIONS IN THE GASTROINTESTINAL

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## THIRD STATUS INQUIRY

Mail Stop Status Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Decision on Petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment was granted in the referenced application on December 20, 2005. The Attorney for Applicant filed a Status Inquiry on August 25, 2006 and again on November 1, 2006. We have received no reply as yet. The USPIO Pair Database does not provide any information with regard to this application. Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application promptly.

Respectfully submitted,

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